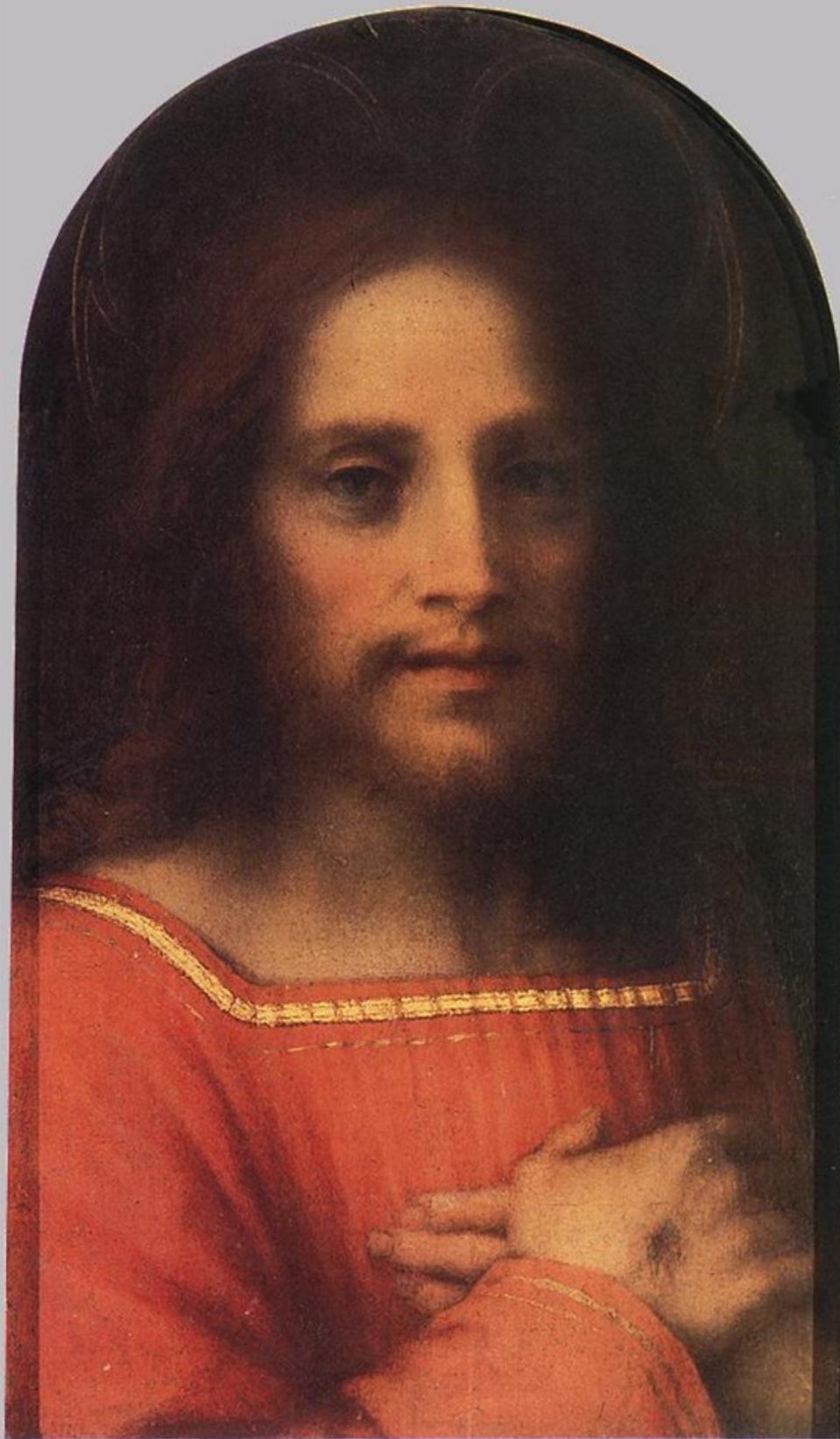


Saint Mary Catholic Church

"The Old Cathedral"



SEVENTEENTH
SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY
TIME
JULY 24, 2022



Andrea del Sarto,
Christ the Redeemer.
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The tabernacle door
in the Church of
Santissima
Annuziata,
Florence, Italy.

Saint Mary Catholic Church

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14th & K Street

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Saturday & Sunday | by appointment only

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Parish Staff & Committees:

Pastor Fr. Joseph Walsh
In Residence Fr. Joseph Finn,
..... Fr. Stephen Cooney
Parish Secretary Delynn Ellis
Music Director Jane Plettner
Director of Religious Ed Muggs Koperski
Knights of Columbus John Franssen
Altar Society Anne Schmidt
Funeral Dinners Sally Williamsen
Legion of Mary Calvin Kroon
Seven Sisters Apostolate Rachel Trevizo
Restoration Chair Ted Czerniak
Finance Council Bernice Polivka
Food Net Coordinator Kathy Johnson
Housekeeper Barb Janssen
Pro-Life Coordinators Marv Ward,
..... Sue Kouma Johnson

Sunday Obligation Masses:

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:30 pm, 5:00 pm

Daily Masses:

Monday - Saturday 12:10 pm,

Monday - Friday 7:00 pm

(See bulletin for changes)

Holy Day Masses:

4:00 pm Vigil (day before Holy Day)

7:00 am, 12:10 pm, 7:00 pm (day of Holy Day)

(See bulletin for Christmas, New Years, & Holy Week)

Confessions:

Saturday 11:00 am, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Monday - Friday 11:30 - 12:00 Noon*

(See bulletin for Christmas, New Years, & Holy Week)

Baptism & Marriage:

Please contact the Pastor six weeks before the baptism date and six months before the wedding date. All parish/diocesan requirements must be met before the ceremonies take place.

Adoration:

"Come to me..." Jesus invites, "and I will give you rest." The church is open for personal prayer and adoration during the week, between 8am and 8pm.

The Mission of St. Mary's Catholic Church is to worship, serve, and build communion in Jesus Christ, with Mary our Mother and guide.

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Celebrating our Restoration Work

On August 11, at 11 am, we will have a public announcement of the beginning of our restoration work at St. Mary's. The event will be a gathering on the West side of the church, and include short presentations by several members of the community: Bishop Conley, Governor Ricketts, Sally Ganem, and Jeff Maul. Bishop Conley will offer a prayer of blessing. We will break ground, with shovels and hard hats, symbolic of the work that will be done on the West side. The event will close with a light lunch in Flynn Hall.

Our announcement recognizes the significance of St. Mary Church as part of the cultural and historical fabric of downtown Lincoln and the commitment of our Catholic community to restore the church and offer its beauty and gift to our community and our future. For this reason, we have invited comments from Governor Pete Ricketts, a member of the political community who is served by this church, Sally Ganem, a member of the historical society whose experience also includes leading the restoration work on the capitol, and Jeff Maul who serves the visitors bureau and knows the importance of the church to visitors of our city and the downtown hospitality industry. With Bishop Conley's presence, we give him the stage to speak about those things dearest to his heart: culture, beauty, faith and community. It will be a wonderful event.

Personal invitations will be sent to all members of our restoration committee and the donors who have supported the project. The celebration is also open to our parish community.

Thank you all who have generously supported this effort, with your comments, financial contributions, and your prayers. Special thanks to our Restoration Committee who has steered this project forward. Our celebration on August 11 is a significant act on our part, a public commitment to undertake and guide to completion this important religious, cultural and historical project. We know it will take years to complete, but we have put our hands to the plow, and with the help of God, we will press onward.

At every weekend Mass, I lead the congregation in the recitation of the prayer to the Infant of Prague, asking His assistance with this work. I know He is helping us. I know He likes our prayer! The Infant King has been entrusted by the Father to care for the world and the Church. He appreciates the humility and trust we are practicing. He is touching hearts with our prayer. There are surprises that are coming. We will be patient and place our trust in Him.

Delynn Ellis

Our new secretary for St. Mary's is Delynn Ellis, who will begin work with us on August 2nd. Her past experience included a job as Administrative Assistant for St. Peter Church and School in Monument,

Colorado. There she handled many tasks, including record keeping, greeting visitors, managing phones, and supporting ministry leaders of the parish. Her other skills and interest include writing, publication, business management, art and jazz-exercise! Welcome Delynn and we look forward to you being part of the St. Mary community.

A Final Thanks

Teresa Macias, we wish you the very best and thank you for your work at St. Mary, and most recently, your kind efforts to help us transition to a new secretary. You touched many lives through your ministry among us. God be with you as you journey forward.

A Busy Week

This past week, we had several meetings, including a safety committee meeting, the Parish Finance Council, the Vision Committee, a meeting with Bishop Conley and Fr. Fulton about our visioning work at St. Mary's, and a meeting with the Diocesan Building Commission. My hope is to report on these meetings in next week's bulletin. Sounds like I'm getting ready for vacation! Isn't that the case, that we shove everything into the calendar and then take off for vacation—exhausted! Oh well, all the more reason to get some time off. Blessings to you all this coming week.

Fr. Walsh

Mass Intentions

Saturday & Sunday, July 23/24

12:10 pm Tim Kadavy
 4:00 pm Souls in Purgatory
 8:00 am †Doris and Ernie Shonka
 10:00 am Fr. Heaslip
 12:30 pm People of the Parish
 5:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

Monday, July 25

12:10 pm Souls in Purgatory
 7:00 pm †Joseph Cuong Nguyen

Tuesday, July 26

12:10 pm Rachel Miller
 7:00 pm †Wayne Rowe

Wednesday, July 27

12:10 pm L. Dee Miller
 7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, July 28

12:00 pm Dain Miller
 7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

Friday, July 29

12:10 pm Lynn Roth
 7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory



CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 24

1:30 pm Bible Study "The Mass"

Monday, July 25

6:00 pm Legion of Mary Meeting
 6:30 pm Pro-Life Rosary

Saturday, July 30

11:30 am FoodNet

Sunday, July 31

1:30 pm Bible Study "The Mass"

** Please note that the Rectory will be closed
 July 25-August 2.*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

JULY 30/31

Saturday, 4:00 pm

Acolyte John Franssen
 Reader Ron Grose

Sunday, 8:00 am

Acolyte Sam Sisco
 Reader Steve Daly

Sunday, 10:00 am

Acolyte Luis Fernandez
 Kevin Aylward
 Reader Mike Neuman

Sunday, 12:30 pm

Acolyte Paul Edwards
 Reader Kathy Johnson

Sunday, 5:00 pm

Acolyte Tim King
 Reader Al Allen

Sunday, EME

Duane Thoene



Parish Support

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JULY 17

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| Weekly Envelopes | \$2,299.00 |
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday:** Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/
Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
- Monday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,
6/Mt 20:20-28
- Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt
13:36-43
- Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/
Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt
13:47-53
- Friday:** Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or
Lk 10:38-42
- Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/
Mt 14:1-12



DAILY FAITH

Question:

What can I do to help our family practice our faith each day?

Answer:

Some families practice their religion together as just another event on their schedule: go to church, observe Lent, help at the parish picnic, go to a meeting, volunteer time, make your confession, use your envelope... But the focus needs to be on who we are—God’s people, in relationship with him, loved, forgiven, and redeemed, and called to live and proclaim the Gospel. Our awareness of God’s presence and our sense of mission are supported by the daily rituals, celebrations, and traditions that help us stay focused. Sharing our faith strengthens us and clarifies the beliefs and values of Christian living.

Daily family practices include time for prayer—before meals, before bed, before important meetings and activities. Attend Sunday Mass together and discuss the homily afterward. Create family celebrations for holy days and holidays. Make religion a regular part of your discussions. Include others, especially the elderly and the less fortunate, in your activities and charitable efforts. By applying the virtues of faith, hope, and love to each day, faith becomes part of who your family is. It influences how you act towards others, what you value, and how mindful of God you are. Faith is the leaven of life that helps all of us rise to our calling and dignity as God’s people.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
- Monday:** St. James, Apostle
- Tuesday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wednesday:** NA
- Thursday:** NA
- Friday:** St. Martha
- Saturday:** St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church



ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE | JULY 25

Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus’ group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them “sons of thunder” because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village. Saint James was part of Jesus’ intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius’ daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had “James, the brother of John, killed by the sword.” (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint’s lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint’s relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.

SAINT MARY'S PARISH NEWS

CHURCH BELL SCHEDULE

JULY 25-29

08:55 Here I Am Lord
11:55 Taste and See
14:55 To Jesus Heart All Burning
17:55 God Be With You



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



Ernie Polivka, Alice Gyhra, Zerita Hendricks, Ray Navratil, Ida Gomes, Richard Fischer, Chuck Kehr, Duane Thoene, Special Intention

Pray for Our Seminarians

Please pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood.

Pray for **Sr. Mary of Jesus Crucified** from Kansas City, KS, Jr. Professed Novice, of the Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Pray for **Sr. Mary Chiara**, from Gretna, NE, 1st Vows, School Sisters of Christ the King.



The Saint Mary's Altar Society is offering a 5-week study, **A Biblical Walk Through The Mass** from Ascension Press. The study explores the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy. On-line access is \$24.95, the on-line access with book and workbook is \$26.95. The participation can determine which bundle to get. The class will start after the 12:30 pm Sunday Mass on July 24, July 31, Aug 7, Aug 14 and Aug 21. To learn more about this exciting opportunity, please contact Rachel Trevizo at 402-613-9838.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: Why do we make the sign of the cross on our foreheads, lips, and heart before the Gospel is read?

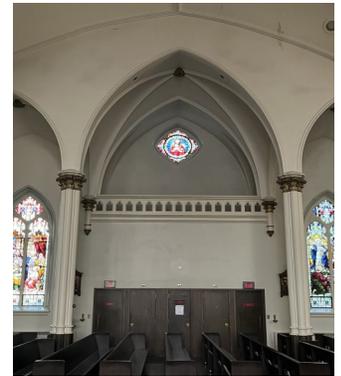
Answer: To symbolize our desire to spread the Good News.



WHAT IS FOODNET? Foodnet is an all volunteer, nonprofit organization with no on-going budget. Donations (monetary or in-kind) to Foodnet are welcome and helpful. For example, there is periodic need for basic necessities such as gloves for handling food, cleaning products and bags for re-packaging of food as needed. All food, labor, distribution sites and vehicles used for hauling are donated items. Foodnet network donors provide mostly perishable foods such as fruits, vegetables, dairy products, desserts, bread, etc. These are items not usually found at a dry goods food pantry, but are still in demand. Other items are close-dated or have slightly damaged packaging.

CHURCH HISTORY

Have you ever wondered about the rail above the confessionals on the west side of the church? No one knows if this was a choir loft in the Church of Christ as there is no access to that area except by ladder. The main entrance to the church used to be on 14th Street (facing West). When the church was rebuilt in 1920, the apse was added and the main entrance was moved to face K St.



A note from our former Parish Secretary, Teresa Macias—When I first started this position, my hope was to help as many people with their faith journey in any way that I could. As it turns out, you all were very instrumental in MY faith journey. I thank you for that! I also thank you for the friendship and for allowing me to be a part of your lives for the last six years, whether it was seeing you at weekly Mass, luncheons, meetings, helping prepare your family for sacraments, or simply in visiting at the rectory. I truly enjoyed every minute of it!

Thank You to Barb Janssen for being my counterpart and for helping me with all my crazy requests. I truly appreciate you! Special Thanks to Fr. Walsh....I know that God placed you here at St. Mary's so that the parish could once again flourish. What you have done for this church in one year is truly remarkable and we all are in great hands with you as the leader. Thank You!

COMMUNITY NEWS

St. Teresa's School is seeking an Educational Consultant – Applicants for this position work with families and faculty/staff to provide for any needs of the students in our school. Experience in schools and working with families is a high priority for this position. Please send resumes or inquiries to TREL-AA@cdolinc.net.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 IN PORTUGAL! Our diocesan trip is ready to take registrations! The trip will be from July 24 - August 9, 2023, and includes a side trip to Fatima. For more information: <https://www.lincolndiocese.org/pilgrimages/world-youth-day>.

Cathedral of the Risen Christ School has an immediate opening for a 6th grade teacher with specialization in Language Arts and Geography. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume and references to Principal Angela Miller at angela-miller@cdolinc.net. Contact Principal Miller or call 402-489-9621 with any questions.

Spirit Catholic Radio invites you to hear [Catholic Answers](#) Senior Apologist, **Tim Staples**, speak on "The Eucharist in the Fathers of the Church" at Pius X High School (Gymnasium) on Thursday, July 28, at 7pm. Tim Staples will take you through some of the key heresies of the Patristic period that would ultimately serve to clarify the truth of the Eucharist as well as give the Church a foundation for the great Eucharistic disputes of the Middle Ages. Tickets are \$5, or bring your friends and reserve 5 tickets for \$20. Tickets can be purchased at spiritcatholicradio.com



Pius X Class of '72 Reunion—Please join us for our 50th reunion on Saturday, August 6, at Grata, at 70th & A Streets in Lincoln! Doors open to the party room at 6 p.m. We are hopeful for a good turnout and a fun evening together. Please help spread the word! No RSVP needed, \$10 at the door to cover food and cash bar! See you there!